

Monday, May 5, 1997

Daily Digest

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages S3933–S3975

Measures Introduced: Six bills and three resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 691–696, S. Res. 82, and S. Con. Res. 24 and 25. **Pages S3959–60**

Measure Passed:

National Peace Officers Memorial Day: Senate agreed to S. Res. 79, to commemorate the 1997 National Peace Officers Memorial Day. **Page S3949**

Supplemental Appropriations: Senate began consideration of S. 672, making supplemental appropriations and rescissions for the fiscal year ending September 30, 1997, taking action on amendments proposed thereto, as follows: **Pages S3938–46**

Adopted:

Stevens Amendment No. 55, to adjust the rescission for the Theater High Altitude Area Defense program to the correct fiscal year of appropriations for Research, Development, Test and Evaluation, defense-wide. **Page S3945**

Stevens (for Ford/McConnell) Amendment No. 56, to authorize the Secretary of Defense to enter into a lease of property for the Defense Finance and Accounting Service at Lexington Blue Grass Station, Lexington, Kentucky. **Pages S3945–46**

Pending:

Grams/Johnson Amendment No. 54, to facilitate recovery from the recent flooding across North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota by providing greater flexibility for depository institutions and their regulators. **Pages S3940–45**

During consideration of this measure today, Senate also took the following action:

A motion was entered to close further debate on the bill and, in accordance with the provisions of Rule XXII of the Standing Rules of the Senate, a vote on the cloture motion will occur on Wednesday, May 7, 1997. **Page S3949**

Senate will continue consideration of the bill on Tuesday, May 6, 1997.

Messages From the President: Senate received the following messages from the President of the United States:

Transmitting, a report relative to the U.S. Comprehensive Preparedness Program; to the Committee on Armed Services. (PM–32). **Page S3959**

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 12 noon, and adjourned at 5:06 p.m., until 10 a.m., on Tuesday, May 6, 1997. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page S3975.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

NEW MEXICO STATEHOOD AMENDMENTS

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: Committee concluded hearings on S. 430, to protect the permanent trust funds of the State of New Mexico from erosion due to inflation and modify the basis on which distributions are made from those funds, after receiving testimony from Phil Archibeck, New Mexico State Investment Council, Santa Fe.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Bills Introduced: 3 public bills, H.R. 1529–1531, were introduced. Page H2168

Reports Filed: One report, H.R. 584, a private bill, amended (H. Rept. 105–87) was filed today. Page H2168

Speaker Pro Tempore: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he designated Representative Nethercutt to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. Page H2159

Guest Chaplain: The prayer was offered by the guest chaplain, the Reverend Dr. Ronald Christian of Washington, D.C. Page H2159

Presidential Message—Weapons of Mass Destruction: Read a letter from the President, received on Friday, May 2 by the Clerk, wherein he transmits his report on the United States comprehensive readiness program for countering proliferation of weapons of mass destruction—referred to the Committees on National Security and International Relations and ordered printed (H. Doc. 105–79). Page H2159

Amendments: Amendments ordered printed pursuant to the rule appear on page H2169.

Referrals: S. 543, to provide certain protections to volunteers, nonprofit organizations, and governmental entities in lawsuits based on the activities of volunteers, was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary and S.J. Res. 29, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to design and construct a permanent addition to the Franklin Delano Roosevelt Memorial in Washington, D.C., was referred to the Committee on Resources. Page H2166

Senate Messages: Messages received from the Senate on Friday, May 2 by the Clerk appear on page H2159.

Quorum Calls—Votes: There were no quorum calls or recorded votes during the proceedings of the House today.

Adjournment: Met at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 3:11 p.m.

Committee Meetings

VA-HUD-INDEPENDENT AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: On May 2, the Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies continued appropriation hearings. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

Joint Meetings

EMPLOYMENT-UNEMPLOYMENT

Joint Economic Committee: On Friday, May 2, committee held hearings on the employment-unemployment situation for April and its connection to current Federal Reserve policy, receiving testimony from Katharine G. Abraham, Commissioner, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Department of Labor.

Committee recessed subject to call.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR TUESDAY, MAY 6, 1997

Senate

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Committee on Appropriations, Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the National Aeronautics and Space Administration, 9:30 a.m., SD–138.

Subcommittee on Legislative Branch, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for the Joint Committee on Taxation, the Joint Economic Committee, and the Joint Committee on Printing, 10 a.m., S–128, Capitol.

Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, to hold hearings on proposed budget estimates for fiscal year 1998 for foreign assistance programs, focusing on Russia and the Newly Independent States, 2 p.m., S–128, Capitol.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs, to hold hearings to examine issues with regard to the shredding of certain Holocaust era documents by the Union Bank of Switzerland, 2 p.m., SD–538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources, to hold hearings on the nomination of Elizabeth Anne Moler, of Virginia, to be Deputy Secretary of Energy, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Committee on Foreign Relations, Subcommittee on Near Eastern and South Asian Affairs, to hold hearings to examine who is responsible for arming Iran, 10 a.m., SD–419.

Committee on the Judiciary, Subcommittee on Youth Violence, to hold hearings to review the programs and mandates of the Office of Juvenile Justice Delinquency Prevention, 2 p.m., SD–226.

Committee on Labor and Human Resources, Subcommittee on Public Health and Safety, to hold hearings to examine public health issues, focusing on Centers for Disease Control project grants for preventable health services, 9:30 a.m., SD–430.

Select Committee on Intelligence, to hold hearings on the nomination of George J. Tenet, of Maryland, to be Director of Central Intelligence, 10 a.m., SH–216.

Notice

For a listing of Senate committee meetings scheduled ahead, see pages E840–41 in today's Record.

House

Committee on International Relations, to continue mark up of H.R. 1486, Foreign Policy Reform Act, 5 p.m., 2172, Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans, hearing on the following measures: H. Res. 87, expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the United States and the United Nations should condemn coral reef fisheries that are harmful to coral reef ecosystems and promote the development of sustainable coral reef fishing practices worldwide; H.R. 608, Marion National Fish Hatchery Conveyance Act; and H.R. 796, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make technical corrections to a map relating to Coastal Barrier Resources System, 11 a.m., 1334 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Forests and Forest Health, hearing on the following bills: H.R. 985, to provide for the expansion of the Eagles Nest Wilderness within Arapaho and White River National Forests, Colorado, to include the lands known as the Slate Creek Addition upon the acquisition of the lands by the United States; H.R. 1019, to provide for a boundary adjustment and land convey-

ance involving the Raggeds Wilderness, White River National Forest, Colorado, to correct the effects of earlier erroneous land surveys; H.R. 1020, to adjust the land boundary of the White River National Forest in the State of Colorado to include all National Forest System lands within Summit County, Colorado, which are currently part of the Dillon Ranger District of the Arapaho National Forest; H.R. 1439, a bill to facilitate the sale of certain land in Tahoe National Forest in the States of California to placer County, California; and H.R. 79, Hoopa Valley Reservation South Boundary Adjustment Act, 10 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, oversight hearing on Bureau of Reclamation Project financing, 2 p.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Rules, to consider the following: H.R. 478, Flood Prevention and Family Protection Act of 1997; and H.R. 3, Juvenile Crime Control Act of 1997, 1 p.m., H-313 Capitol.

Committee on Science, Subcommittee on Technology, hearing on "Technology in the Classroom: Panacea or Pandora's Box?" 2 p.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, Subcommittee on Social Security, hearing on the Social Security Administration's Website, 3 p.m., B-318 Rayburn.

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, executive, briefing on Encryption, 2 p.m., H-405 Capitol.

Next Meeting of the SENATE

10 a.m., Tuesday, May 6

Senate Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Senate will continue consideration of S. 672, Supplemental Appropriations.

(Senate will recess from 12:30 p.m. until 2:15 p.m. for respective party conferences.)

Next Meeting of the HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

12:30 p.m., Tuesday, May 6

House Chamber

Program for Tuesday: Consideration of 1 Suspension, H.R. 1463, Customs Service, U.S. Trade Representative, and International Trade Commission Authorization; and Continue Consideration of H.R. 2, Housing Opportunity and Responsibility Act (open rule).

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